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§ 432.101 Statutory authority.

This part applies to reduction in grade and removal of employees covered by the provisions of this part based solely on performance at the unacceptable level. 5 U.S.C. 4305 authorizes the Office of Personnel Management to prescribe regulations to carry out the purposes of title 5, chapter 43, United States Code, including 5 U.S.C. 4303, which covers agency actions to reduce in grade or remove employees for unacceptable performance. (The provisions of 5 U.S.C. 7501 et seq., may also be used to reduce in grade or remove employees. See part 752 of this chapter.)

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§ 432.102 Coverage.

- (a) Actions covered. This part covers reduction in grade and removal of employees based on unacceptable performance.
- (b) Actions excluded. This part does not apply to:
- (1) The reduction in grade of a supervisor or manager who has not completed the probationary period under 5 U.S.C. 3321(a)(2) if such a reduction is based on supervisory or managerial performance and the reduction is to the grade held immediately before becoming a supervisor or manager in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 3321(b);
- (2) The reduction in grade or removal of an employee in the competitive service who is serving a probationary or trial period under an initial appointment:
- (3) The reduction in grade or removal of an employee in the competitive service serving in an appointment that requires no probationary or trial period who has not completed 1 year of current continuous employment in the same or similar position under other than a temporary appointment limited to 1 year or less:
- (4) The reduction in grade or removal of an employee in the excepted service who has not completed 1 year of current continuous employment in the same or similar positions;
- (5) An action imposed by the Merit Systems Protection Board under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 1206;

- (6) An action taken under 5 U.S.C. 7521 against an administrative law judge;
- (7) An action taken under 5 U.S.C. 7532 in the interest of national security;
- (8) An action taken under a provision of statute, other than one codified in title 5 of the U.S. Code, which excepts the action from the provisions of title 5 of the U.S. Code;
- (9) A removal from the Senior Executive Service to a civil service position outside the Senior Executive Service under part 359 of this chapter;
- (10) A reduction-in-force governed by part 351 of this chapter;
- (11) A voluntary action by the employee;
- (12) A performance-based action taken under part 752 of this chapter;
- (13) An action that terminates a temporary or term promotion and returns the employee to the position from which temporarily promoted, or to a different position of equivalent grade and pay if the agency informed the employee that it was to be of limited duration:
- (14) A termination in accordance with terms specified as conditions of employment at the time the appointment was made; and
- (15) An involuntary retirement because of disability under part 831 of this chapter.
- (c) *Agencies covered*. This part applies to:
- (1) The executive departments listed at 5 U.S.C. 101;
- (2) The military departments listed at 5 U.S.C. 102:
- (3) Independent establishments in the executive branch as described at 5 U.S.C. 104, except for a Government corporation; and
 - (4) The Government Printing Office.
- (d) Agencies excluded. This part does not apply to:
 - (1) A Government corporation;
 - (2) The Central Intelligence Agency;
 - (3) The Defense Intelligence Agency;
 - (4) The National Security Agency;
- (5) Any executive agency or unit thereof which is designated by the President and the principal function of which is the conduct of foreign intelligence or counterintelligence activities;